

**PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS: NON-DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF
HANDICAP/DISABILITY**

The school district will ensure that all students with a handicap or disability are provided all necessary procedural safeguards as are required by law. Such procedural safeguards are found in pertinent federal and state laws and regulations. In addition, all staff, students, parents and other interested persons are directed to the New Hampshire Department of Education Procedural Safeguards Handbook.

Free or Low-Cost Assistance / Resources

There are free and low-cost services available to help you understand and access their rights under special education and the special education process. Listed below are some agencies that can provide this assistance.

Director of Special Education for the School District
(School districts must maintain a listing of free or low-cost legal resources, which may include local resources)

Bureau of Special Education
New Hampshire Department of Education
101 Pleasant Street
Concord, New Hampshire 03301-3860
Telephone: (603) 271-3741
Fax: (603) 271-1099

Disabilities Right Center, Inc.
P.O. Box 3660
Concord, New Hampshire 03301
Telephone: (603) 228-0432 or 1-800-834-1721
Fax: (603) 225-2077
E-mail: advocacy@drcnh.org

New Hampshire Bar Association/Pro Bono
112 Pleasant Street
Concord, New Hampshire 03301
Telephone: (603) 224-6942 or 1-800-852-3799
(Intake is through the Disabilities Rights Center)

Parent Information Center (PIC)
54 Old Suncook Road
Concord, New Hampshire 03301
(603) 224-7005 or 1-800-947-7005
Fax: (603) 224-4365
Web Site (connects to staff e-mail): www.parentinformationcenter.org

Parent Information Center offers a free booklet called “Steps in the Special Education Process” which provides details about the special education process and the laws.

Note: Additional information may be obtained by contacting your local school district, the NH Department of Education at (603) 271-3741 or on the NH Department of Education’s website: http://www.education.nh.gov/instruction/special_ed/index.htm

Legal References:

*NH Department of Education Administrative Rules, Ed 1120, Procedural Safeguards
34 C.F.R. Part 104, Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap
Section 504 of The Rehabilitation Act of 1973*

Legal References Disclaimer: These references are not intended to be considered part of this policy, nor should they be taken as a comprehensive statement of the legal basis for the Board to enact this policy, nor as a complete recitation of related legal authority. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

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